RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 Expedited Procedure Examining Group 2142

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For: PEER-TO-PEER GROUP MANAGEMENT

AND METHOD FOR MAINTAINING PEER-

TO-PEER GRAPHS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 21, 2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This amendment is accompanied by a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131. In response to the final Office action dated May 21, 2007, the applicants respectfully request that the application be reconsidered in light of the following amendments and/or remarks. This amendment and response is being timely filed, as it is accompanied by a petition for extension of time to file in the second month and the requisite extension fee of \$460.00.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.